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OPERABLE UNIT NO. 2 SURFACE WATER INTERIM MEASURE/INTERIM REMEDIAL ACTION (IM/IRA) - EML-0605-92

Ref: J. K. Hartman Itr (9444) to J. M. Kersh, OU2 Surface Water IM/IRA Meeting with EPA and CDH, August 18, 1992

This is in reply to the referenced letter regarding comparison of radionuclide concentration at the point of influence and at the surge tank with Applicable or Relevant and Appropriate Requirements (ARARs) and the installation of a permanent collection system at SW132.

The first issue concerned the discrepancy in concentration of the radionuclides in the samples collected at the seeps and the samples collected in the surge tank. The samples collected at the seeps SW59 and SW61 indicate concentrations of Pu and Am above the ARARs, while the samples collected from the surge tank show concentration of these radionuclides below the ARARs. A specific response to this concern is as follows:

- Three distinct contemporaneous grab sampling events and analysis will be conducted at the sump and at the surge tank which allows for transport velocity so that the same volume of water is sampled. This work is scheduled for completion by September 25, 1992. Turnaround time is approximately six months to attain results.
- Smear sampling of scale within the transfer pipe at inlet and outlet points will be completed. This would involve obtaining a smear sample downstream of the check valve at the sumps and internal to the inlet at the surge tank. This work is planned for completion by October 2, 1992.
- A section of pipe will be removed from the inlet of the transfer pipe and be analyzed for scale. This work is planned for completion by October 9, 1992.
- Upon the completion of the above, a briefing paper will be provided to the Department
  of Energy, Rocky Flats Office presenting the findings and conclusions of this effort. If
  additional work is needed, a revised strategy will be developed.

With regard to installation of a permanent collection and transfer system at SW132, an Engineering Job Order (EJO) is in preparation and is expected to be submitted to EG&G/Facilities Engineering by September 25, 1992 for processing. With present priorities, an estimated date for completion of processing of the EJO, completion of

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construction and initiation of operation is July 1, 1993. This work has been included in the FY93 Work Package Number 12022.

To provide service throughout the winter, the existing temporary facility must be insulated and protected against the elements and the cold. The Subcontractor has been tasked to "winterize" the existing facility and this is expected to be done by late October 1992. This work will also include providing a hard line for power, eliminating the need for a small generator at SW 132.

If you have any questions or require further information, please contact D. W. Pontius at extension 8616 or E. A. Dillé at extension 9794, both of Remediation Programs.

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